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Miss Stella Henniger of Essex street has been ill for several days at her home.

Mrs. J. Warren Barnard has been confined to her home by illness for a few days.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Philip F. Ripley of Abbot street last Friday morning.

A Christmas service for children will be held at Bartlet chapel next Sunday at 11.30 o'clock.

The R. C. O. A. holds its dancing party in A. O. U. W. hall this evening. Music by the new orchestra.

Miss May Sellers, well known in this town, left this week for Bermuda, where she has accepted a position.

A Christmas suggestion—a calendar or box of stationery—at the Bookstore at reduced prices, 20 per cent discount.

John Howell has gone to Silver Lake, Kansas, to spend six weeks. He was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Minnie Howell, who is going to Montana.

Richard Stack of Summer street was confined to his home for several days recently with a wrenched knee, the result of injuries received in the Punched-Exeter game.

Mrs. S. M. H. Gardner spoke at the Andover Guild on Saturday evening on "The Underground Railroad," a subject with which she is very familiar and which she presents in a very interesting manner.

On Thursday afternoon at 3.45, a collection of Indian curios and implements will be on exhibition at the South church vestry. These will be explained by Mr. Shipman, and all children interested are invited to see them.

A well attended meeting of the Andover Natural History society was held on Tuesday evening. The subject of the evening was "Winter Birds." Papers were read by Miss Clara Putnam and Miss Florence Abbott.

Miss Blanche Cross was very pleasantly surprised by about twenty-five of her friends last week, at her home on Punched avenue. During the evening the young people presented her with a handsome neck chain and locket.

Andover people will be interested to know that Samuel B. Chapin, President of the National Council, and the American Board will speak at the South church in Lawrence next Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. His subject will be "Religion and Civilization."

Rev. A. C. Perrin of Lowell was the speaker at the meeting of the Free Church Men's club held on Tuesday evening. Mr. Perrin gave an interesting talk on the subject "The Peril of the Public School." There was a large attendance of members.

The North Essex Congregational club met on Monday evening with the United Congregational church in Lawrence. Supper was served at seven o'clock and was followed by three addresses, by Dr. C. G. Carleton, Rev. W. E. Wolcott, and Rev. C. H. Oliphant, on "True Greatness."

The November club has consented to repeat the play, "Mrs. Oakley's Telephone," for the weekly entertainment Saturday evening at the Guild. The play is exceedingly amusing and ought to be well attended. Admission, members, 10 cents; 25 cents for others.

At a meeting of Gen. William F. Bartlett Relief Corps, held on Tuesday evening, officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, Mrs. M. Belle Eastman; senior vice-president, Mrs. Hattie Smith; junior vice-president, Mrs. Helen Allen; conductor, Mrs. Charles Buchanan; chaplain, Mrs. Margaret Jackson; guard, Mrs. Susie Mears. The work of the corps was inspected by Mrs. Perkins of Danvers, and ice cream, cake, and sandwiches were served. The meeting, which took place in the new G. A. R. hall, broke up at a late hour.

An enjoyable surprise party took place at the home of Alfred Coates on Morton street, Friday evening, December 8. Games were played and refreshments served. Mr. Coates was presented with a signet ring. Those who attended were as follows: Misses Alice Stack, Lena Lundgren, Lillian Holt, Hazel Bickford, Gladys Napier, Amy Lundgren, Hazel Stiles, Irene Valentine, Helen Collins, Helen Goodwin, Mary Caldwell, Nancy Caldwell, Jenny Caldwell, Davina Birnie, Mrs. Coates and Miss Gemmell. Masters Salem Charles, Edward Partridge, Russell Knowles, Roy Bowman, Edward Dodge, Geo. Coates, Paul Abbott, Harold Gray, James Coates, Clifford Marshall.

There will be a union Christmas service in the South church, Sunday evening, December 24, at 7.30, under the auspices of the King's Daughters, with the co-operation and direction of Mr. Moore, organist and choir-master of the church. In addition to the vocal selections, Miss White, the cellist of a string quartet in Boston and a teacher of the instrument as well, will enrich the musical part of the program, and Mrs. Allen of Lawrence, superintendent of Primary Sunday School work in the district, will read. The program in detail will be printed next week. Everyone is asked to join in the service in the real Christmas spirit, that it may be not only a union service of the churches but of the whole town at this "good will" season of the year.

J. H. Playdon spent the weekend visiting in New York.

Abbot Academy closed on Tuesday for the three weeks Christmas vacation.

John V. Holt has purchased a lot of land on Bartlet street, above Morton.

Principal Stearns will speak at the vesper service at the chapel next Sunday.

Dr. Ralph D. Head of Pittsfield has been a guest at Mrs. John N. Cole's, Locke street.

Calendars and Box Papers, at the Bookstore discounted 20 per cent beginning Saturday morning.

There will be a Christmas tree for Christ church Sunday school on Saturday evening, December 23.

Professor C. S. Morse lectured at the Archaeology Building last night on "Mars and Its Mystery."

J. H. Playdon's store has its usual beautiful Christmas display of flowers. See his ad. on another page.

James Anderson of Essex street has returned to Brown University, after having been ill at his home for several days.

Miss Christine Lewis of Milton visited in town last week. On Friday evening she attended the Punched football rally.

The next tournament between the Andover and the North Andover clubs will not take place until Thursday evening, January 4.

Principal A. E. Stearns offered the dedicatory prayer at the formal opening of the new Lawrence Y. M. C. A. building last Sunday.

The first and second degrees will be conferred at the next meeting of Andover Grange to be held on Tuesday evening, December 19.

The Women's Foreign Missionary society of the Seminary church will meet with Mrs. William B. Graves on Tuesday, December 19, at three o'clock.

The remains of the late Esther A. Higginbotham of Methuen were interred in Christ church cemetery on Thursday afternoon. The deceased formerly lived in Andover.

Charles W. Richardson of Ballardvale addressed the Free Church Christian Endeavor meeting last Sunday evening. Mr. Richardson is president of the Andover C. E. Union.

The second degree was worked on candidates from Methuen and North Andover by Andover Lodge, I. O. O. F. on Wednesday evening. After the degree work refreshments were served.

At a meeting of the Punched School Athletic Association held Wednesday, Joseph Daly, '13 was elected manager of next year's baseball team, and Arthur Lewis, '14 manager of the football team.

Cuthbert Lee, a Harvard undergraduate and a volunteer assistant of Dr. Grenfell in his Labrador work, spoke at Phillips Academy last Sunday evening, giving a very interesting account of the work being done in the north.

A large number of small children stopped before the display window of "The Metropolitan" yesterday, and viewed the barley sugar creations shown there. The pretty novelties attracted the attention of many grown-ups as well.

Many local people witnessed the performance of Elsie Janis in the "Slim Princess" at the Lawrence Opera House on Monday evening of this week. The attraction was one of the best that has been offered thus far this season, and there was a full house.

Miss Pauline Dole entertained a number of her friends at her home on the hill last Saturday evening. Those present were Elizabeth Abbott, Mabel Marshall, Marie McQuinn, Tessie Remmis, and Helen Knowles, Howard Cates, Everett Collins, Chas. Bowman, and Arthur Jenkins.

Phillips Academy closes on Wednesday for the Christmas holidays.

Rev. Clark Carter will preach at the West church next Sunday morning.

A very pleasant social was held last night at the Free church by the Christian Endeavor society.

John N. Cole has resigned as a member of the board of directors of the Andover Home for the Aged.

Buy your Christmas calendars and box papers at the Bookstore. twenty per cent discount after Saturday morning.

The annual competition for the Goldsmith prizes will take place at the Punched school this evening at quarter to eight.

The Free church choir will sing "How Lovely Are the Messengers" from the oratorio of "St. Paul" at the service Sunday morning.

"Mrs. Oakley's Telephone," the two-act comedy recently presented at the November Club, was repeated last evening in Punched Hall under the auspices of the Mothers' club. There was a good attendance. The musical portions of the entertainment consisted of vocal selections by Miss Mabel Carter and Mrs. James May. Mrs. Buttrick and Mrs. Burleigh were the accompanists.

An attachment for \$4000 was filed Thursday at the Lawrence registry of deeds office against the West Parish Society, Inc., in Andover, in an action of tort on behalf of Mariano M. Sebastiano of New Britain, Conn. The plaintiff alleges that while employed in the West Parish cemetery about a year ago his leg was broken by reason of the cave-in of a sand bank where he was working. The writ is from the office of Bradley and Dooley, Lawrence.

A pleasant church social was held last Friday evening by the Ladies' Benevolent society of the Free church. Miss Flora Lindsay played a cello solo, Mrs. James May sang, and Mrs. Isabella May gave a reading. A short play entitled "The Packing of the Home Missionary Barrel" was then presented with great success. The following ladies took part: Mrs. Jeanette Tough, Mrs. James May, Mrs. Isabella May, Mrs. Henry Russell, Mrs. Fred Goff, Mrs. J. L. Paine, Mrs. Annie Laurie, Mrs. David Lindsay, Miss Alice Coutts and Mrs. William Faulkner.

The Andover Mothers' club held a regular meeting Friday, December 8, at the physical training room in the Samuel Jackson annex. Mrs. Poland was elected treasurer to succeed Mrs. George Holt, who resigned from that office in October. The club will fill and distribute the customary Christmas baskets, and donations for same may be sent to Mrs. B. M. Allen, Bartlet street, where they will be greatly appreciated. Through the generosity of George B. Ripley, the owner of a fine Victrola Talking Machine, the club was entertained for an hour with charming reproductions of band, orchestral and grand opera masterpieces. During the social time, tea and cake were served by Mrs. Frank Valentine, chairman; Mrs. C. Buchanan, Mrs. J. Callum, and Mrs. Jas. Feeney.

ABBOTT VILLAGE

Mrs. Levi Bryan of Cuba street visited in Boston Tuesday.

Alexander Black, Jr., machinist, went to work in the repairs department of the Smith & Dove mills, on Monday morning.

On the eve of his departure on a visit to Arbroath, Scotland, William Stirling, Jr., was met by a large party of friends and well-wishers in Abbott Village hall last Saturday evening, who wished him every success. During the evening, William Rae, captain of the Andover United A. F. C., presented Mr. Stirling with a gold signet ring. The gift was accepted with a few appropriate remarks. Singing and dancing followed, Robert Williams supplying the music. Refreshments were served by Caterer Cady.

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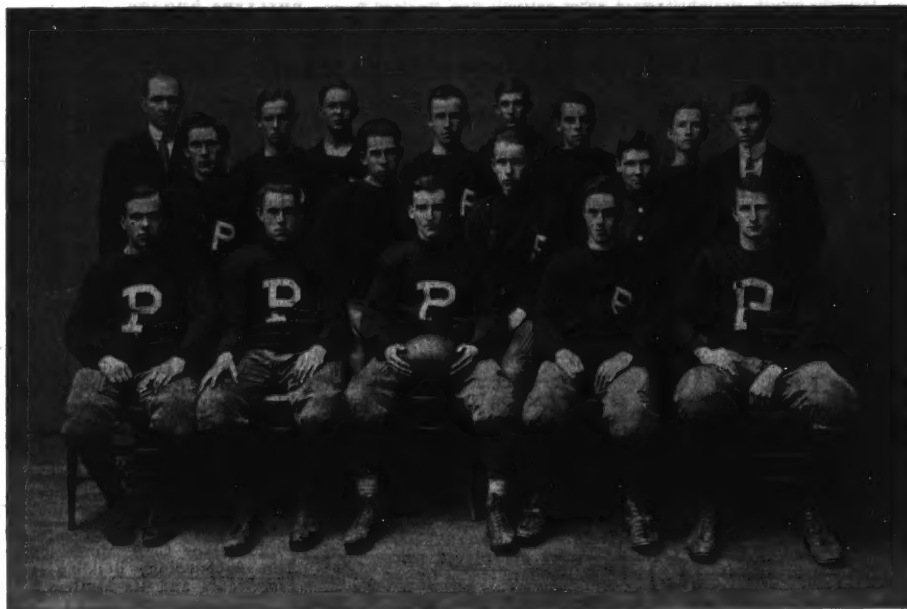
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SPORTS OF THE WEEK



THE PUNCHEDARD FOOTBALL SQUAD FOR 1911

THE SEASON AT PUNCHEDARD

The past season of the Punchedard football squad has been one of continuous success. Nine games have been played, in all of which Punchedard was the victor; 99 points were scored to her opponents' 8. The credit for this record goes to the hard, persistent work of the squad, the untiring efforts of Captain Stephen Boland, and the great assistance rendered by Coach E. V. Lovely. A brief summary of the season's games follows:

The first game was played September 29, with the Peabody high school, with the outcome, Punchedard 10, Peabody 0. The fact that the local team was considerably outweighted, and that the game took place in a down-pour of rain, rendered this victory all the more creditable.

On Columbus Day, Punchedard met the Stoneham High eleven, proved herself superior, and inflicted a defeat of 17 to 0. Collins and Petty both made long runs in this game.

On October 17, came the first out-of-town game, with Pinkerton Academy at Derry, N. H. In this contest, Punchedard seemed to be on the losing side during the first half, for Pinkerton scored a touchdown. In the second half, however, the speed of the local boys proved too great for their opponents; S. Boland made two touchdowns, and Collins kicked two goals, making the final result 12 to 5 in favor of Punchedard.

Methuen High and Punchedard had their first game on October 20. It was a hard-fought contest, and the only score of the game was made by Collins of Punchedard. The local team came near scoring again later on, but the attempt failed, so that the result was Punchedard 5, Methuen 0.

On October 28, Peabody High was again defeated, this time 5 to 0. Punchedard's success was again due to her speed, and superior knowledge of the game. Although only one score was made, Peabody's goal was threatened several times.

John High School of North Andover also went down to defeat before the victorious eleven. This game was played on November 8, and the result was 12 to 0. Five regular men on the Punchedard team were down, owing to scholarship difficulties, but nevertheless the victory was an easy one. Stack and Boland each made a touchdown, and Stack and Bingham kicked the goals.

On November 18, Punchedard administered an overwhelming defeat to the Lawrence High School second team, to the tune of 24 to 0. The touchdowns were made by Collins, Stack, and Boland.

The annual game with Exeter added another victory, one of 8 to 0, to Punchedard's list. The Punchedard defense was excellent and her goal was never in danger. Much ground was gained by rushing, and trick plays were used very effectively. Collins, Petty and Wilcox played an especially good game.

On Thanksgiving Day, Punchedard played the Alumni team, defeating them 6 to 3. This was the second time only during the entire season that the team was scored on. Roy hardly kicked a goal from the field, which made the Alumni's 3 points.

The summary of the season follows:

Punchedard	Opponents	Score
Punchedard 10	Peabody	0
Punchedard 17	Stoneham	0
Punchedard 12	Pinkerton	5
Punchedard 5	Peabody	0
Punchedard 12	Johnson High	0
Punchedard 24	Lawrence	0
Punchedard 8	Exeter	0
Punchedard 6	Alumni	3

Touchdowns—Collins 6, S. Boland 4, Stack 4, Wilcox 1, Petty 1, Sullivan 1. Goals from touchdowns—Collins 8, S. Boland 2. Goal from field—Collins.

As a fitting climax to such a successful season, a football rally was held in the school hall last Friday evening. The affair was in charge of the girls of the school, and was given in honor of the football squad. Several invited guests were present, including Messrs. M. E. Gutterer, Albert W. Lowe, William B. Cheever, Fred Cheever, Rev. Frederic Palmer, Harry Noyes, Thomas Kyle, Lester Towne, and Miss C. L. Lewis.

Speeches were made by Coach Lovely and several members of the team, and songs and cheers were given by the young ladies. Remarks were also made by some of the visitors. The football men were pre-

sented with small pennants. During the evening a charade of four parts was given.

The exercises were followed by dancing and the serving of refreshments.

FOOTBALL

Andover Defeats Worcester

Andover defeated Worcester Academy, 1 to 0, in a soccer game played at Worcester last Saturday. Owing to the weather, the field was heavy and muddy. Clever playing by Mackinlay scored Andover's point. The game was the last on Andover's schedule for the season. The lineup:

ANDOVER	WORCESTER
Wells, g.	g. Duval
Blanchard, rb.	lb. White
Ritch, lb.	rb. Booth
Ocuppaugh, rh.	lb. Schofield
Young, ch.	ch. Enwright
Lawrason, lb.	rh. Phipps
Mackinlay, rlf.	lf. Campbell
Newton, rif.	lf. Wo (Mitchell)
Lee, cf.	cf. Stewart
Holmes, lif.	rf. Pierce
Tucker, lof.	rof. Kean

Score, Andover 1, Worcester Academy 0. Goal, Mackinlay. Referee, North, Springfield Training School. Linesmen, Davis, Worcester Academy, and Chutter, Andover. Time, 30-minute halves.

The P. A. Soccer Season

The Phillips Academy soccer team brought its season to a close last Saturday by defeating Worcester Academy, 1 to 0.

The season has been an unusually successful one, as the following statistics show:

No. games played	10
No. games won by Andover	6
No. games tied	2
Andover 1, Lawrence All-Stars	5
Andover 2, Andover United 2d	0
Andover 3, Harvard Freshmen	0
Andover 0, Harvard Varsity	3
Andover 4, Harvard Freshmen	0
Andover 1, Brookline Gym	1
Andover 1, Middlesex	1
Andover 2, Middlesex	0
Andover 2, Harvard Law School	1
Andover 1, Worcester Academy	0

BOWLING

B and D Draw

Teams B and D of the Andover club bowling league played a league game on the Essex street alleys on Friday evening, and split even, each team winning two points. The game was very closely contested.

Lincoln and Cole excelled for team D, and Ralph and Gibbons for B.

TEAM B			
Gibbons	82	95	80
Hilton	84	79	76
Reed	73	80	55
Dummy	88	84	80
Ralph	87	90	84
Totals	414	428	375

TEAM D			
Dummy	72	81	77
Riddoch	75	66	82
Lindoch	91	83	106
Angus	75	60	84
Cole	73	82	101
Totals	386	384	450

The Guild Wins Three Points

Last Thursday evening the Guild and the Smith & Dove Overseers' fives played a hard game of duck pins on the Hillside House alleys, the former winning two strings and the pinfall. Sparks of the Guild was high roller of the game, with a single string of 106 and a total of 285. Though Courts of the Overseers put up a single of 110, Lamont was honor man for the side, with a single of 96 and a total of 268.

OVERSEERS			
Lawson	78	73	80
Courts	81	76	110
Sellers	82	70	88
Lamont	96	92	80
Guthrie	87	92	82
Totals	424	412	440

GUILD			
Deyermund	91	97	84
Hastings	90	92	79
Haddon	96	97	93
Black	80	81	93
Sparks	106	93	86
Totals	463	460	435

Skea's Team Won

Three out of four points were won by Skea's team from Warden's team on Monday evening. Skea's team won the first string by 41 pins, the second by five pins, but the third was lost by eight pins. Skea and C. Mack excelled for the victors, while for the losers, Warden and Hutcherson rolled well. The score:

SKEA'S TEAM			
C. Mack	97	106	77
Doig	80	70	78
Black	80	81	92
J. Mack	89	81	79
Skea	84	91	111
Totals	430	429	437

WARDEN'S TEAM			
Westcott	69	94	96
Eldred	76	88	75
Hutcherson	79	84	100
Sparks	74	72	83
Warden	91	86	91
Totals	389	424	445

Donovan's Team Wins Four

In the duck pin league match on Wednesday night, Donovan's team succeeded in taking four points from Cairnie's team. Stack of the winning team was the highest roller with a total of 28 while Captain Donovan had the highest single string, 105.

DONOVAN'S			
Stack	104	88	88
Murphy	65	78	80
Lynch	94	83	75
MacKenzie	81	80	83
Hardy	89	80	105
Donovan	433	418	431

CAIRNIE'S			
Page	74	70	90
Boderick	82	84	82
Gorrie	84	75	73
McCarthy	84	77	68
Cairnie	77	82	99
Totals	401	388	412

Overseers Win Four Points

The Overseers and the repair shop five played a rather one-sided game of duck pins on the Hillside House alleys Friday night of last week, the former winning all four points. Jarvis of the Overseers was high roller of the game, having a single string of 108 and a total of 293. Matthews, also of this five, put up a single of 110 and a total of 285. Rea of the repair shop five was high for his side with a single of 99 and a total of 270.

OVERSEERS			
Matthews	93	82	110
Lawson	84	81	86
Sellers	87	64	87
Lowe	80	77	81
Jarvis	88	97	108
Totals	432	401	472

REPAIR SHOP			
Rea	83	88	99
Jamieson	61	73	66
Guthrie	85	80	91
Renny	79	81	85
Connolly	88	75	78
Totals	396	397	419

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Ross's Team Wins Four

MacDonald's team was defeated by Ross's team on Tuesday evening by all four points. The total pinfalls were 1267 and 1117. Rogers and Ross bowled well. The summary:

ROSS'S TEAM			
Dugan	66	83	98
Rogers	72	110	84
Deyermund	80	87	83
Smith	88	83	88
Ross	87	80	98
Totals	393	443	431

MACDONALD'S TEAM			
Jackson	77	69	70
Page	56	77	59
J. MacDonald	70	80	89
Dea	74	69	68
Ryley	84	77	96
Totals	364	372	388

Bowling League Standing

The Andover club bowling league has come to the middle of the season and the games that have been played have made the fight in the first and second division close and interesting. Only two points separate teams D and B, the former being 20 to the latter's 18. Teams A and C are tied at 13 points apiece.

In the Andover Duck Pin league Skea's team and Donovan's team are tied for first place with 13 points win. There is considerable rivalry between these teams and their next match will be watched with interest by the bowlers.

The standing:

ANDOVER CLUB (Candle Pins)			
Team	Won	Lost	Pinfall
Team D	20	12	9738
Team B	18	14	9678
Team A	13	19	9742
Team C	13	19	9733

ANDOVER TOWN LEAGUE (Duck Pins)			
Team	Won	Lost	Pinfall
Skea's	13	3	5268
Donovan's	13	3	5100
Ross's	10	6	4967
Cairnie's	6	10	5013
Warden's	4	12	4838
MacDonald's	2	14	4758

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LAWRENCE

The principal news of the week has centered around the mayoralty contest between candidates Sullivan and Scammon. Frequent rallies are being held and much interest in the outcome of next Tuesday's election is being manifested. Heated discussions and pointed remarks in regard to graft and city government administration have characterized some of the political gatherings.

Provincial Grand Master James W. Riley of the Massachusetts I. O. O. F. M. U., paid an official visit on Tuesday evening to Loyal Essex lodge, 6259.

In the carrying out of its policy of centralizing its mills, the mill of the United States Worsted Company at Harrisville, R. I., is to be moved to Lawrence.

Four members of the Lawrence Canoe club each sustained the loss of a motor-boat in a fire which broke out in a shed belonging to the club, on Tuesday evening.

Another interesting topic of the week is the membership campaign being conducted by the Young Men's Christian Association in an effort to increase their membership to 1200.

"Joe" Ferrin, who is rated as one of the best all-round athletes that the local high school has ever produced, on Monday signed a contract to play with the Red Sox next season.

The "ax-car" of the Boston & Maine railroad visited Lawrence recently, and it is said several Lawrence agents have been reduced in rank and salary, in the efforts of the railroad to cut down expenses.

No action was taken at the meeting of the board of aldermen on Monday night in regard to the report of the tuberculosis hospital trustees. The mayor refused to sign the report on account of the criticism of the board of health which it contained.

A fire broke out in the fourth floor of the American House on Essex street on Monday afternoon, in which a man and a woman were severely burned, and were carried from the building in an unconscious condition. The damage to the rooms and furnishings was \$700.

The various bills contracted by the city department during November have been held for the mayor's approval for payment. The sum of these bills, together with other bills previously held up, equals \$300,000. To meet this indebtedness one of the first acts of the new government will be to petition the Legislature for authority to borrow \$500,000 outside of the debt limit.

The new Y. M. C. A. building was formally given over to the Young Men's Christian association on Sunday afternoon. An appropriate program was rendered for the occasion, the principal address being delivered by President Hamilton of Tufts college. Franklin W. Hobbs and Frederick Fosdick of Fitchburg also spoke. The dedicatory prayer was made by Principal Stearns of Andover.

NORTH ANDOVER

On Wednesday evening, December 13, the annual Christmas sale was held at the Methodist church.

The regular monthly meetings of the Eben Sutton and Cochichewick Engine companies took place on Tuesday evening.

George H. Simonds and family are to shortly leave their home, Broad Acres, in the Centre, for a stay of several months in Boston.

The friends of Edward J. Westland are pleased at his unanimous election as captain of the Lawrence high school football team.

Friday evening the officers and teachers of the Trinitarian Congregational Sunday school had a first-class supper, served in the vestry.

At a meeting of the Sunday school association of the Trinitarian Congregational church, Sunday afternoon, officers were elected for the ensuing year.

On Friday evening of this week a dance will be conducted by the members of the Stevens Social club in the club house of the organization on Pleasant street.

The second degree was conferred on a number of candidates from Andover, Methuen and North Andover, at a meeting of Andover lodge, I. O. O. F., Wednesday evening.

Under the auspices of the Girls' Friendly society of St. Paul's Episcopal church, a most successful sale and entertainment was conducted on Friday evening in the parish house.

The members of the Girls' Friendly society had the pleasure of hearing Miss Hopkins, vice-president of the Girls' Friendly society of America, Monday evening in St. Paul's parish house, when she delivered an address.

A large number of relatives, friends and neighbors, including people from North Billerica, Lawrence and North Andover, attended the funeral services of William T. Winkley, 33 Harvard street, Waverley Park, last week.

METHUEN

The annual Christmas sale and supper was held at the Baptist church Wednesday evening.

Several candidates took the initiatory degree at the meeting of Hope lodge, No. 54, I. O. O. F., on Monday evening.

Highway Surveyor Robert W. Dow, who underwent a second operation several days ago, is reported as doing nicely and resting comfortably.

There was a good attendance at the Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon, when the men's meeting was addressed by George Wench of Manchester, N. H.

There was a large and appreciative audience at Phillips chapel, Sunday evening, when an address was given by Miss Olive Gibson of New Mexico. The discourse was a most interesting one.

The discussion of candidates for the office of selectman next spring has already begun. Abel Marsland, Jr., has announced his candidacy, and it is understood that there are to be several other aspirants for the office.

The members of Samuel Adams chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, will observe the anniversary of the Boston Tea Party on next Saturday evening, when an old-fashioned supper will be given for the members and their friends.

A long-felt want in Methuen was filled Saturday afternoon when the board of selectmen appointed ex-Chief of Police Amos Jones a regular policeman to do night duty at the burban police station. Officer Jones was appointed under the veteran's preference act, having taken a non-competitive examination.

MUST HONOR PASSPORTS

House Says Treaty Will Be Abrogated Unless Russia Yields

Washington, Dec. 14.—The house of representatives passed the Sulzer resolution, providing that the passports of the United States shall be honored or that the treaty with Russia be abrogated, by a vote of 300 to 1.

The one negative vote was cast by Representative Malby of Ogdensburg, N. Y. Massachusetts members of the house played an important part in the debate, from the time when Mr. McCall opposed the resolution as reported, and urged that the whole matter should be submitted to arbitration.

POSTAL SERVICE SURPLUS

First Time It Has Been Recorded in Twenty-Eight Years

Washington, Dec. 11.—"For the first time since 1883 the annual financial statement of the postoffice department shows a surplus instead of a deficit."

This is the burden of the annual report of Postmaster General Hitchcock. He indicates that the placing of the postal service on a self-sustaining basis means an improvement and extension of facilities and, at no distant day, one-cent letter postage.

A parcels post and pensions are advocated by the postmaster general.

Accidentally Shot by Father

Randolph, Me., Dec. 13.—Ralph Morgan, 10, was accidentally shot in the left side by his father last night. He may die.

Russian Guard in Pekin

Pekin, Dec. 14.—A Russian detachment of 350 men and two guns have arrived here to reinforce the legation guard.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

ESSEX, SS. PROBATE COURT
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Charles C. Clough late of Andover in said County, deceased, intestate.

WHEREAS, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Alfred E. Stearns of Andover in the County of Essex without giving a surety on his bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Salem in said County of Essex, on the first day of January A.D. 1912, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Andover Townsman a newspaper published in Andover the last publication to be one day at least before said Court.

Witness, Rollin E. Harmon, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this ninth day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

ARTHUR BOGUE, Register.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

ESSEX, SS. PROBATE COURT

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Henry Nice late of Andover in said County, deceased.

WHEREAS, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for probate, by William Odlin and Robert J. Hancock who pray that letters testamentary may be issued to them, the executors therein named, without giving a surety on their official bonds.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Salem in said County of Essex, on the eighteenth day of December A.D. 1911, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioners are hereby directed to give public notice thereof by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks in the Andover Townsman a newspaper published in Andover the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Rollin E. Harmon, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-third day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

ARTHUR BOGUE, Register.

TROUBLE AHEAD FOR TAFT MEN

Hard Work to Get Pledged Delegates to Convention

"BIG BUSINESS" IS FEARED

Forces Behind La Follette and Roosevelt Would Have Delegations Unpledged—New Does Not Agree With Lee's "Inspired" Statement That Taft Cannot Carry Indiana—Hitchcock's Name Mentioned in Plot

Washington, Dec. 14.—From now the battle within the ranks of the Republican party will be waged over whether delegates to the Chicago convention shall be sent instructed for William H. Taft or for no one. The La Follette people want unpledged delegates and so do the opponents of Mr. Taft.

The friends of the president realize more clearly than before the meeting of the national committee that they have some real work before them. The interchange of ideas incident to the meeting made it evident to them that "big business" is more to be feared in the coming contest for delegates than are the forces behind Senator La Follette.

The Taft men appear to take it for granted that big business will try to nominate Theodore Roosevelt. They cite the demand from certain sources that all delegates shall be sent unpledged as good evidence of this scheme.

The statement of Edwin M. Lee, chairman of the Indiana Republican state committee, that Mr. Taft cannot carry Indiana in 1912, will be made an issue in that state. Lee is a candidate for re-election, and the Taft Republicans will oppose him, believing that the Hoosiers desire to see Taft renominated and are ready to fight to bring about that result.

Harry New gave out a statement answering that made by Lee. New charges that Lee issued his statement as a part of a prearranged plan and says he knows the influences that were back of it.

"If Mr. Taft cannot carry Indiana, no other Republican can," said New. "I had information several days ago, when Lee was brought to Washington by way of New York, that he would issue the statement that was given out yesterday. As early as last Saturday I told the president that it was forthcoming."

"I know of the influences that are responsible for Lee's change of sentiment. It is part of a prearranged plan and is entitled to the usual discount allowed in matters of this kind. If the Republican party cannot win with Taft, it certainly cannot win with anyone else. Lee and I differ radically in our opinions. I believe that the electoral vote of Indiana will be cast for Taft and that the attempt of the gentlemen who have inspired Lee's statement will fail of their purpose."

Mr. New, chairman of the special committee that will have complete charge of the convention arrangements, stayed over for a conference with the president. New already has engaged hotel quarters in Chicago for the national committee and will at once arrange for the use of the Collamore for the convention. The election of delegates will begin early in January and will continue until thirty days before the convention is held.

St. Louis and her boomers are greatly disappointed over their failure to secure the convention and charge that Chicago was selected as the result of a deal between the La Follette progressives and other anti-Taft Republicans who will try to stampee the convention for Roosevelt under the leadership of Frank H. Hitchcock.

This serious charge against a member of the president's own cabinet will be taken with a grain of salt, but it is pointed out that Chicago would be much more convenient for the purposes of the opponents of Taft than for those of his friends.

Chicago Gets Big Convention
Washington, Dec. 13.—The Republican national committee, in session here, ratified the program which had been arranged in advance for its deliberations. The national convention to nominate candidates for president and vice president will be held in Chicago, beginning June 18.

Life Sentence For Murder
Nashua, N. H., Dec. 12.—Pleading guilty of murder in the second degree, Martin Conroy of Manchester, who killed his wife, was sentenced to life imprisonment in the superior court here.

Massacre of Armenians
Constantinople, Dec. 13.—Armenians are again being slaughtered by the Turks in Anatolia. Three hundred men, women and children have already been massacred.

Stork Visits Queen Victoria
Madrid, Dec. 13.—Queen Victoria of Spain gave birth to a daughter yesterday. This is the fifth child born to Queen Victoria, the fourth being stillborn.

HARRY S. NEW

Talks of Prearranged Plan of President's Opponents



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POLICY PAID IN FULL

Insurance of \$15,000 on Durland's Life Turned Over to Widow

New York, Dec. 13.—The \$15,000 policy which the late Kellogg Durland, sociologist and writer, carried on his life was paid to W. D. Leonard, a lawyer, who has represented Mrs. Durland since the Equitable Life Assurance society began an investigation.

Although attachments aggregating about \$4000 had been filed by creditors, the policy was paid in full to Leonard, Mrs. Durland having assigned it before the attachments were filed.

WOULD ABROGATE PACT WITH RUSSIA

House Committee Urges Quick Action by Congress

Washington, Dec. 13.—The house committee on foreign affairs unanimously agreed upon the Sulzer resolution directing the immediate abrogation of the 1832 treaty between the United States and Russia because of the discrimination by Russia against American Jewish citizens in the recognition of passports.

The Sulzer bill states that in the judgment of congress the treaty should be terminated at the earliest possible moment. It directs the president to give the usual notice to Russia that the treaty will cease to be in force upon expiration of a year after such notification.

SANDFORD CONVICTED

Shiloh Prophet Released on Bail Pending His Sentence

Portland, Me., Dec. 11.—"It is all right. The work at Shiloh will continue as long as I am able to direct it." This was the only comment which Rev. Frank W. Sandford made when the jurors in the United States district court, before whom he was tried on the charge of causing the death of six of the crew of the schooner yacht Coronet, returned a verdict of guilty on each count after being out forty minutes.

Sentence will be pronounced on the leader of the Holy Ghost and Us movement Dec. 18, and he furnished sureties in the sum of \$10,000 for his appearance at that time. The punishment in a case like this as provided in the penal code of the United States is a fine of \$10,000 or imprisonment for not more than ten years, or both.

BRICEVILLE MINE HORROR

Half a Hundred Unfortunates Are Still Unaccounted For

Briceville, Tenn., Dec. 14.—With the passing of another day without the discovery of any more live men in Cross Mountain mine, hope for the rescue of the fifty odd men still unaccounted for reached its lowest ebb.

Progress in the search was obstructed by a fire which raged from early Tuesday until 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, requiring the efforts of half of the government helmet crew to extinguish it. Forty-five bodies have been brought out of the mine.

McNamaras in Penitentiary
Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 11.—James B. and John J. McNamara have been taken to San Quentin prison. The decision to take them followed the brothers' final refusal to give away more facts as to their operations.

Wolter's Days Are Numbered
Albany, Dec. 14.—The court of appeals, which had previously affirmed the conviction of Albert W. Wolter for the murder of Ruth Wheeler in New York, decided that Wolter shall be electrocuted during the week beginning Jan. 29.

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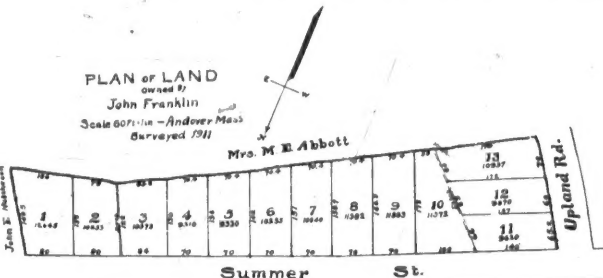
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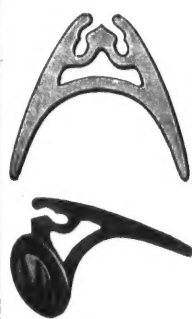


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Amateur Dramatics

The story of the pretentious play, staged so beautifully, played so brilliantly, and enjoyed so heartily by a large audience on Monday and Tuesday evenings is told elsewhere. The triumph of the Andover Dramatic Club was apparently even more complete than ever, and the genius of the founders of this organization, and the success attending the work of those who are directing it, was again demonstrated. None of the plays go by without developing one or more in the cast who are well out of the ordinary in the character of the work they do as amateur performers, and the latest play is no exception.

This is good, and everybody rejoices to see such brilliant work as that which has marked the leading characters in these amateur performances. But without any possible thought of being in the least a "kill-joy," we cannot help querying, (and it is set forth solely as a query) whether or not somewhat simpler performances with less expensive details as to scenery and costumes might not give just as much pleasure, and entail less expenditure of time and strength on the part of the comparatively few who must after all do the work? Perhaps this suggestion isn't wise, and it is certainly not designed to be anything but a suggestion, for no one could think of criticizing such splendid affairs as that of Tuesday evening. Solely as a suggestion, however, it may be possible that by this simplifying, more people may feel that they can do something, and more people may get more good out of the organization with less cost of strength and labor to the few.

Whatever the future may bring forth, let us hope that it will continue to bring forth many more enjoyable times, be they planned on a grand or a simple scale, if they can only be planned by those who have thus far directed the Andover Dramatic Club so successfully.

A Local "Crusade" of Merit

In this age of "crusades," there are crusades and crusades. Some are good and some are bad. Some are wise and some are foolish. The genuine merit is so difficult to see in many of them, that there are many people who have come to the conclusion that most of the present day agitation in favor of some particular thing or other is largely due to the desire of one band or another of reformers to secure their own individual fads and fancies.

When there is a good one, it is worth while noting it, and when it has to do with a local institution, it is more worth while than ever. For some time there has been going on

Local Cases Decided

Two cases of local interest were settled in Lawrence last week by Associate Justice Frederick N. Chandler.

Judgment for the defendant in the case of Sarah L. Sawyer et als vs. Paul Hill, in an action of alleged trespass.

Judgment for the plaintiff in the case of Homerine Berthiaume vs. Horace Hale Smith for alleged improper surveying.

Former Andover Woman Dies

Isabel Whittemore, wife of Joseph Whittemore of Methuen, former residents of this town, passed away on Tuesday of this week, aged forty-three years. The deceased had been in poor health for some time.

Mrs. Whittemore was well-known by many Andover people, as for several years the Whittemore family made their home here, living on Washington avenue, and later on Central street.

Besides her husband, she leaves a daughter Elizabeth, and a son Arthur. Funeral services are being held this afternoon from the home of Mrs. Daniel Whittemore, South Broadway, Lawrence. Interment in Spring Grove cemetery.

Double Surprise Party

A double surprise party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McDermitt on Brechin Terrace last Saturday evening. The recipients of handsome gifts were Myrtis McDermitt on the occasion of her birthday, also Robert Mills of Fitchburg. A very enjoyable evening was spent. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. William McDermitt, Myrtis McDermitt, Mrs. Mary Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. William Anderson, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jamieson, Annie Jamieson, Mr. and Mrs. John Hackney of Ballardvale, Joseph McCarthy, Robert Anderson, Robert Mills of Fitchburg, Edwin J. Anderson.

Holiday Hours in Lawrence Stores

The following opening and closing hours will be put into operation in several of the Lawrence dry goods stores next Monday:

Open	Close
Monday, Dec. 18, 9:30 a.m.	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Dec. 19, 9:00 a.m.	10:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 20, 9:00 a.m.	9:30 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 21, 9:00 a.m.	10:00 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 22, 9:00 a.m.	10:30 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 23, 9:00 a.m.	11:00 p.m.

The stores to observe these hours are Robertson Sutherland Co., Reid & Hughes Co., Cross Dry Goods Co., L. C. Moore Co., Thomas G. Rhodes, R. A. Day Co., Cherry & Webb, F. A. Hiscok & Co., M. J. Cahill, M. P. Perley Co.

quite an interesting issue between different manufacturers of shoe threads in the country as to the merits of billing net weight or gross weight, the latter having been for a long time the custom. The foremost factor in the fight for reform which would eliminate the rough tare and give a man the thread he pays for at thread prices has been our own Andover concern, the Smith and Dove Manufacturing Company, and the current issue of the principal organ of this particular trade makes it clear that our Andover leaders in this important reform are winning a very successful campaign. This is one of the crusades that is worth while, and Andover's part in it is just the kind of part that would be expected of an Andover business, building on permanent lines and carrying on so successfully in all other ways a growing and prosperous business. It is good to put such things as this in local records, for after all, the influence of the community cannot help being felt, even where the community is a remote part of the business that may be involved.

Editorial Cinders

Some way or other, we don't seem to succeed in getting quite enough warm weather in the opening winter months to do what we find is almost accomplished in the nature of killing the various moth pests. Every year there comes a warm spell such as that which we have had during the past week, more or less, and every year the day comes when your neighbor will say to you, "Just a little more of this weather, then the moths will hatch, and the frost will come and finish those fellows." But alas and alack! that "little more" doesn't come. The lively little fellows do get lively, but in their nests, and enough are left of those that the frost doesn't kill, so that the Spring hatching is just as abundant as ever, apparently. It is encouraging, however, to note that the general report of those who study such things is that Andover has less this year than for a number of years, if one may judge by the nests that are readily seen. Let us hope that this is a fact, and that the continued watchfulness of the moth chasers may ultimately win the fight.

The Punched boys appear elsewhere in all the glory of a winning group of football warriors, and in even a little more glory than most football warriors can wear, because the picture shows a team that hasn't been vanquished during the entire season. It is a good record, and the Townsman congratulates them upon it, and even better, it is a pleasure to congratulate the school itself upon making other records of efficient work and real progress.

450-lb. Groom Formerly of Andover

Samuel Chesley Drew, a member of the New England Fat Men's club, and formerly chef at the Phillips Inn, was married last week in Dover, N. H., to Mrs. Rose Lavigne, a nurse at the Strafford County farm. The marriage was to say the least, unusual, as the groom weighs 450 pounds, while his bride is a "sma' wee thing" tipping the scales at about 250.

Mr. and Mrs. Drew were met at the Cocheco station by a yoke of oxen and a haycart driven down from the farm, as they alighted from the train from Rochester. There was a crowd there too to see them start on their journey over the hills to the farm in their lumbering conveyance, and to shower them with rice. A plank walk, braced like a gangplank to an ocean steamer, was used to enable the couple, whose combined weight was close to 700 pounds, to board the haycart.

A Christmas Suggestion

To your friend who enjoys good reading, you can make no better or more acceptable Christmas gift than a subscription to the Boston Evening Transcript.

The publishers have issued a neatly engraved subscription certificate to be given to those ordering the paper as a holiday offering, which may be sent by mail to reach the recipient at Christmas time.

Free sample copies and rates will be cheerfully furnished by the Boston Transcript Co., Boston, Mass.

State Grange Meets

The Massachusetts State Grange held its annual session in Worcester this week. Many interesting and profitable addresses were made, and the entire session was one of great benefit to the delegates attending.

Officers for the ensuing year were installed on Wednesday evening as follows:

Worthy Master, C. N. Gardner, Westfield; worthy overseer, L. E. Chapman, Ludlow; worthy lecturer, E. F. Richardson, Millis; worthy steward, L. R. Smith, Hadley; worthy assistant steward, E. H. Gilbert, Stoughton; worthy chaplain, Rev. H. H. Wheelock, Marlboro; worthy treasurer, S. A. Harrington, Worcester; worthy secretary, William N. Howard, South Easton; worthy gate keeper, F. L. Warfield, Buckland; cures, Mrs. Mary Olds Lakin, Brookfield; nomina, Mrs. Ella D. Rice, Leominster; flora, Mrs. F. M. Sargent, Amesbury; lady assistant steward, Mrs. Charles O. Littlefield, Norwood. Patrons attending from Andover Grange were: Mr. and Mrs. George Carter, Edward Burr, Miss Caroline Burr, Miss Charlotte Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Ira B. Hill, Ralph Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. George Averill, and Frank M. Foster.

MRS. ALEXANDER'S PROGRESS

Second Play of Andover Dramatic Club Given on Tuesday with Great Success Before a Large Audience

The Barnstormers opened their second season on last Tuesday evening, with a highly successful rendering of Miss Stanwood's "The Progress of Mrs. Alexander." The play was, in many respects, a difficult one to give. There are twenty-three characters in the cast, and three complete changes of setting, not to mention various elaborate changes of costume. That the performance began promptly on time, and went through without a hitch, speaks much for the loyalty of the players, and still more for the efficiency of the stage manager.

The play is itself curiously uneven. It begins with a delightful bit of comedy; continues as a somewhat minute character analysis; and finally winds up with some rather broad farce, as if the author had worked out her more serious vein, and fallen back on pleasantries to finish out. It is, therefore a difficult piece to give unity to, and one that has, in places, to be carried in spite of the text, by good acting.

This acting was, on Tuesday night, maintained at a consistently high level that promises well for the future of the organization and the pleasure of its members. The more farcical portions were convulsively funny; and in general, the minor parts, the maids and butlers and footmen, the "bourgeoisie" bridge-players and the "aristocratic" company on Beacon Hill, were alike played with that ample adequacy which is one of the special delights of the best amateur work. Of these, one notes especially the singularly convincing "Mrs. Samson" of Miss Madeleine Hughes, and the "Jinjo" of Minot Dole. One may well believe that for future performances of the club "Jinjo" has more surprise.

Apparently the author of the play intended to make Alexander Smith distinctly burlesque. Mr. Bancroft gave the part that interpretation, and the audience responded with shouts of appreciative laughter. Yet there were passages, like the denunciation of Sarski, and the "I guess you'd better stay right here, sir; guess you and I had better get acquainted!" of the second act, where one was made to feel the man behind the clown.

Sarski himself, the villain of the play, so far as the play has a villain, was rendered by Mr. Clark at an even level of skill that made it one of the pleasant impressions of the evening. It was neat acting, in which make-up, action, and reading united in one piece of art. On much the same steady level as Sarski, and an effective foil to it, was the Charles Francis Fuller, 3d, of Mr. Crawford. A high-minded, slow-spoken, humorless gentleman, he never for a moment let himself forget the seriousness of his mission. And yet, thanks in large part to extraordinary facial expression, the bit of comedy on the sofa, at the end of the last act, was one of the funniest things in the whole play.

To this, as to every scene in which she appeared, the Secretary, Miss Florence Kenyon, contributed her full share. The part is itself an interesting one—a well-trained, clear-headed, sweet-voiced college girl from the West, whirled through Newport and into Boston, and always unaffectedly "just herself," and Miss Tyler played the role with intelligence and sympathy.

Miss Carter's "Mrs. Vantine" was worldly, scheming, cynical, and well-mannered. Miss Cole's "Mrs. Vivian of Everywhere" was a mixture of society lady, adventuress, Bohemian, and good friend; while her fetching costumes added not a little to the decorative quality of the setting in which she appeared. The hearty applause which followed her exit after her long scene with Mrs. Alexander in the second act, was a well-earned tribute to her playing.

Mrs. Alexander herself was, naturally, the star of the performance. In fact, the play is distinctly a star play, in which no matter how well all other parts are taken, the result must stand or fall with the leading lady. Mrs. Hardy played, as always, with insight, variety, restraint, and with a skill that is beyond praise. Her raiment was gorgeous and she looked her part. Even in the third act, when Mrs. Alexander begins to "have nerves," yes, and where it would have been so easy to go wrong, her playing was always precisely right. The climax of the part, midway in this act, the soliloquy to the mocking portrait, "Eliza Smith, you fool," is something that few of the audience will immediately forget.

Fl-rists' and Gardeners' Supper

The Florists' and Gardeners' club held a supper and meeting in A. O. U. W. hall last week. T. E. Rhodes catered. Part of the committee on the Flower Show were also present. The supper was served at 7:30 o'clock and was followed by a discussion of plans for the coming show.

TO A MOTHER

RHODA JANE FOSTER, 1824-1911

Last of an old family of Andover, Rhoda Jane, daughter of Richard Luscombe and Rhoda Noyes, and widow of William Henry Foster, born in West Parish, January 26, 1824, was called to eternal youth with the fathers, December 8, 1911, near eighty-eight years of age.

Her eldest sister, Phebe, wife of Gates Frye, died at 36 in 1849; Lydia, wife of Henry Russell Abbott, died at 32 in 1853; Eliza Osgood, adopted by a maternal cousin, who carried her away to the far west, after her mother's death in 1834, came after long years to Andover to return a visit made by her brother Aaron Luscomb, in his last year, and was here at the time of his sudden death. The remaining elder sister, Hannah Curtis, died in Maine with her son, Geo. Bruce, in 1902. I recall a letter she wrote me in her eightieth year, full of information of the family back to her great-grandparents, for they all had a rare gift of memory.

On her mother's side, Mrs. Foster was a direct descendant of Rev. James Noyes, the eloquent pioneer of Congregationalism in 1650, and with him came the grandmothers, including Greenleaf, Coffin, Wadleigh, Poole, Bancroft, Emery, friend of Quakers, Webster, Sawyer, Bodwell, the Indian War veteran, and old Anthony Morse. Added to these very orthodox folks, her father's line includes Garland and Earle of the Newfound-land merchants from Bristol, there when the Pilgrims came, and the long line of Curtis of Salem and Marblehead, who with the Luscombs were sea captains in 1812 in the East India service from both Salem and Newport.

With these ancestral traits of clear thinking and reverent faith in the unseen, a persevering and patient mastery of the hindrances of daily life, with a rare ability to quietly dominate opposition, little suspected by those who noted only her fragile body, we of the new generation have always wished her ambitious heart could have had our chances, instead of the limited advantages of school and press of the early fifty years of the last century, for she would have won more than we did. But, with unusual interest in all that concerns society and town and state outside her family circle, she kept pace with us.

With many other very fine people (many women I knew) she felt sincerely that the South should be allowed to secede quietly, and in this great issue she held out bravely in her opinion. In selecting her books for recreation during the last enforced years of leisure, I found she enjoyed greatly the novels so well written by southern authors on the Civil War. Next to two well-worn copies of the Scriptures, came the weekly library book. We shall never know till we also come to eighty, what comfort our library brings to the aged "shut-in" to make the long hours fly. With in a few weeks of her death, she called back from her weakness the

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SHOPPING PROBLEMS SOLVED

Andover Girl Writes of Her Christmas Purchases Made in Andover Stores

Andover, Mass.

My Dear Helen:

Well, here I am at home again, and even if we have been having a dandy time in college for the last few weeks, it seems good to be back here for a little breathing space. For the first two or three days after I came home, I didn't do much except sleep, and eat and read, and read and eat and sleep. I had a real enjoyable time being lazy. But there was one thing that bothered me; I had all that Christmas shopping ahead of me, and that almost spoiled everything. You remember the chat we had in Marjorie's room that night about Christmas and what a nuisance Christmas shopping has grown to be. I held that opinion more strongly than any of you for I always detested shopping. Everyone in a holiday crowd always looks so fagged, and cross, and tired and hurried and generally dissatisfied with everything. Oh, I can hear you say you don't agree with that. I know you like hunting out bargains, and poking into all kinds of places, but I never did. So I dreaded that Christmas shopping more than anybody knew.

But I have made what I think is a pretty fortunate combination out of my spirit of laziness and what little common sense I have. I am going to do all my shopping right here in Andover. I went down the street to the "shopping district" the other day on an errand for mother, and I made the discovery that there are lots of worse things about Andover than its stores, and that I could find everything I wanted in the way of gifts, both practical and frivolous, reasonably and high priced, "for all classes and all purses" as they say.

I had to visit two or three stores that morning and I was so interested in their Christmas aspect that I went into several others. I found that I could buy everything I had planned for as reasonably as I could get it in the city. Just to show you what I found I will tell you some of the purchases I made.

In the pretty Gift Shop on Main street, I found pictures of all kinds, framed and unframed, expensive and inexpensive, copper and brass articles, such as trays, bowls, etc., leather purses and card-cases, china, pottery, fancy pins and pendants, and ever so many dear little novelties of various kinds. One thing that I liked especially was the beautiful Chinese embroidery. I bought several things for the girls in this place.

At Buchan & Francis', the furniture store, I got a low rocking chair for mother. They had ever so many other things that would make good Christmas gifts, as tables, chairs, rugs, cushions, desks, couches, bureaux, beds, and some very pretty utility boxes that would rejoice the heart of any girl.

I found a very nice pendant, one of the new ones, for Marion in Whiting's jewelry store. I know she will like it for it is very pretty. Rings, watches, pins, silver ware, clocks, bracelets, lockets—he has them all, and in enough variety so that all tastes can be suited.

I really had a hard time deciding what to get for Tom. But at H. F. Chase's I saw skates, snow shoes, sweaters, cameras, and all those kind of things, so that I wasn't long in picking out a camera set. It is a dandy, and I wouldn't mind keeping it myself.

You know that Aunt Mary has always wanted an electric iron. She says they are so convenient to have. Well, I bought one for her at the office of the Lawrence Gas Co. One can get all kinds of electrical appliances there, and what is more they are discounting from their prices during the holidays.

That mechanical toy Harry has been longing for so earnestly is to be his on December 25th. I found that at W. I. Morse's hardware store. They certainly have a fine lot of toys there. I also bought a carving set for Nettie Shaw.

I thought it would be nice to give Annie some new fittings for the bathroom which they had just had repaired. Buchan & McNally have all kinds so that I didn't have the least difficulty in getting what I wanted. A really practical sensible present is a change oftentimes from the usual gifts one receives at Christmas.

I got some gloves for Jack at J. W. Dean's furnishing store, and some ties and handkerchiefs for father at Hannon's. There are ever so many things in a store of this kind that one can choose gifts from.

I easily secured what I wanted in toilet preparations and toilet articles in the various drugstores. A. W. Lowe has some very pretty boxes containing a combination of toilet water and powder which makes a very attractive gift. Manicure sets, soaps, cigar and tobacco jars, he also has. These can also be had at Stacey's and Allen's. You see Andover does not lack in drug stores.

As for gifts in the drygoods line, making pretty and pleasing selections is as easy as rolling off a log. We have four stores here—T. A. Holt Co.'s, Smith & Manning's, Miss Porter's and the Fleur de Lis. The latter is a little store but it contains lots of pretty things, aprons, fancy articles, ribbons, pennants, belt-pins, and all sorts of children's toys. It is also a good place to go for embroidery materials.

Holt's store has a fine line of handkerchiefs. I am sure Clara will like the pretty ones I bought for her. The ribbons, ruching, etc., are also very attractive, to say nothing of the bigger and more practical gifts like table linen, towels, and blankets with which they are well supplied.

In addition to their usual line of dry goods, Smith & Manning have brushes, combs, pocketbooks, handbags, toys, pillow tops, table scarfs, etc.

Held Fair and Dance

Shawsheen lodge, Degree of Honor, held a very successful fair and dance in the A. O. U. W. hall in Barnard Block last Friday afternoon and evening. There was a good attendance, especially in the evening.

From three to ten o'clock there was a sale held by the ladies. The various tables were prettily decorated, and were in charge of the following: Fancy table, Mrs. Ryley, Mrs. Long; candy, Mrs. K. Taylor, Mrs. Fraize; cake, Mrs. H. Baker, Miss Edith Baker; peanuts, Mrs. Ira O. Gray; apron, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Batty, Mrs. F. Abbott; mystery, Isabelle Abbott.

In the evening, dancing was enjoyed, music being furnished by Crane's ladies orchestra of Lawrence. Among those present were Misses Bessie Hayes, Ada Ross, Ruth O'Connell, Elsie Teague, Grace Ryley, May Russell, Ethel Hilton, Etta Moncur, Mary Abbott, Mary MacKenzie, Ruth Greenwood, Elizabeth Gordon, Charlotte Dick, Alice Gray, Mrs. John Ryley Mrs. Henry Troy, Mrs. Alexander Crockett, Mrs. J. H. Baker.

George Collins, Stephen Haggerty, Douglas Hutcheson, John Baker, Ralph Baker, Claremont Gray, Harold Grav, J. H. Baker, Frank Cronin, Henry Kibbie, William Cronin, Austin Poland, Harry Evans, Alfred Vite, George Cheyne, Ralph Berry, James Welch, Michael Connors, Charles Main, Francis Maroney, Harry Brock, Bert Holt, Joseph Daley, Leonard York, Kerr Sparks, James Daly.

The committee in charge of the dance consisted of Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Wagner, Mrs. Ryley and Mrs. Abbott.

P. A. Organ Recital

The usual Wednesday afternoon organ recital took place this week at the chapel. The program differed considerably from that ordinarily presented, as it consisted entirely of Christmas music for the organ. Mr. Ashton's rendering of Malling's "Christmas Eve," and Guilman's "Noel" were very pleasing. Another especially enjoyable number was the "March of the Magi," by Dubois. The recital was brought to a fitting conclusion by the playing of the "Hallelujah Chorus."

The entire program was as follows:

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March of Magi
Dubois
Song of Simeon in the Temple
Malling
Hallelujah Chorus from the Messiah
Handel

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AMONG THE CHURCHES, CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

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Miss Porter's store, the one in the new block on Main street, also has a very pretty stock to select gifts from. I bought some very pretty jabots and ties there, and also a lingerie waist. Ribbons, laces, dress pins, belt buckles, linen doilies, belts, handkerchiefs, aprons, and ever so many kinds of novelties, are also attractively displayed.

For shoes and slippers one has only to go to Brown's or Wyllie's shoe shops and select what she wants.

So, my dear, you see that when I have bought what books and Christmas cards I want at the Bookstore and selected anything I like from their lines of stationery, fountain pens, desk fittings, etc.; and when mother has bought the Christmas turkey at Valpey's market, and the other goodies at Campion's, Holt's or Smith & Manning's, and the fruit at Andrew Basso's, and our cakes and candy at the Metropolitan, where they have lots of good things, and we have some of Playdon's flowers to "grace the feast," we shall have had our whole Christmas right here in Andover.

I never realized before that it was possible to do everything here; and if M— and its people are not as fortunate in that respect as Andover and we are, you had better come and spend a week with me before Christmas, and keep away from the city crowds. If you can't do that, please don't forget when you have finished your shopping in your own way, to write me a good, long letter.

With love, from Phyllis.



I'd Rather Be a Christmas Seal

I'd rather be a Christmas Seal
With a little sticky back
Than all the high-priced furry ones
In the whole Arctic pack.

I'd rather be a Red Cross Seal,
At a hundred for a dollar,
Than just a useless lady's muff,
Or luke-warm sort of collar.

I'd rather be a busy seal
And be called a germ stamp
Than be the proudest furriest prince
Of the whole North Pole camp.

DEATH OF ACTOR AIKEN

As "Pat Reilly" He Was Long and Well Known to Theatre Goers

Malden, Mass., Dec. 13.—William Atkin, who as "Pat Reilly," has entertained thousands of patrons of burlesque, died at the Malden hospital from a complication of diseases. Atkin was 60 years old and for over forty years has been on the stage both in burlesque and in vaudeville. Lately he toured the country in a war-time sketch entitled "In the Days of '61," assisted by his wife, who is known as Flo Wells.

While playing at the Malden scenic temple he was taken ill and removed to the local hospital, where he died after a short illness.

Underwood Boom Launched

Washington, Dec. 11.—The Underwood presidential boom was officially launched when eight members of the Alabama delegation met and passed resolutions endorsing Representative Underwood for the presidency.

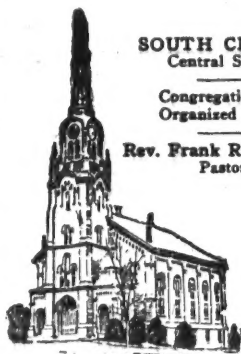
Sixteen Injured on Battleship
Portsmouth, Eng., Dec. 13.—A petroleum explosion on the British battleship Orion here seriously injured Commander Garnett and fifteen members of his crew.

IN BOSTON MARKETS

Butter—Choice northern creamery, 35¢@36¢; western creamery, 34¢@35¢; firsts, 32¢@33¢.
Cheese—York state, 16¢@17¢; Vermont, 15¢@16¢.
Eggs—Choice hennery, 47¢@50¢; eastern extras, 45¢@47¢; western, 40¢@46¢; storage, 24¢@25¢.
Potatoes—Eastern, \$1.95@2.05 2-bu bag; sweets, Jersey, \$4.50 bbl.
Apples—Baldwins, fancy, \$2.50@3; Pippins, \$1.50@2; Greenings, \$2@2.50; Snows, \$2@3.
Cranberries—Early blacks, \$6@7.50 bbl; late varieties, \$8.50@9 bbl.
Pears—Beurre Bosc, \$3@3.50 bx; Beurre D'Anjou, \$2.50@3.
Domestic grapes—Baskets, Concord, 10¢@12¢.
Poultry—Northern turkeys, 22¢@24¢; native broilers, 20¢@22¢; native roasting chickens, 18¢@20¢; live fowl and chickens, 12¢@13¢; squabs, \$3.50@4 doz.

Mrs. Bacon: "And why did your cook leave you?"
Mrs. Egbert: "She wanted us to raise her wages."
"And what were you paying her?"
"Why, fifteen dollars a month."
"And couldn't you raise that much?"

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR NEXT WEEK

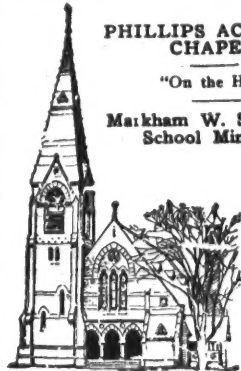


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6.30. Y. P. S. C. E.
7.30. Evening worship.
7.45 Wednesday. Midweek meeting.
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Morning service at 10.30. Address by the school minister.
Vesper service at 5.15. Address by Principal Stearns.
11.30. Christmas service for children at Bartlett Chapel.

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Organized 1850

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6.30 p.m. The Y. P. S. C. E.
7.30 p.m. Monday. The young ladies' Dorcas society.
7.30 p.m. Tuesday. Castle Winchester, K. O. K. A.
7.45 p.m. Wednesday. Mid-week prayer and conference meeting.
2.30 Thursday. Sewing meeting of the Ladies' Benevolent society.

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10.30 a.m. Morning prayer, with sermon by the rector.
12.00. Sunday School.
7.30 p.m. Evening prayer, with lecture by the rector on "The Life of Christ."
6.45 p.m. Monday. Knights of King Arthur.
3.45 p.m. Tuesday. Junior Auxiliary.
3.45 p.m. Tuesday. Boy Scouts.
7.30 p.m. Tuesday. Girls' Friendly society.
2.30 p.m. Thursday. Woman's Guild.
7.15 p.m. Saturday. Sunday School Christmas tree.

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Rev. W. E. Lombard



10.30 a.m. Preaching by the pastor.
12.00 m. Sunday School.
6.30. C. E. meeting.
7.15 p.m. Gospel service.
7.30 p.m. Wednesday. Prayer meeting.

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The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Andover National Bank will be held at their banking-rooms, Tuesday, the 9th day of January, 1912, at 9.15 o'clock a.m., for the choice of directors and the transaction of any other business that may properly come before them.

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Our President and Our Ex-President

In the Outlook for December there is rich reading—not because Mr. Taft authorizes the interview given graphically by a Mr. Leupp, but because what Mr. Taft says, as recorded in the Outlook, will be the test as to whether he will again be elected as our president. I hope he will be.

The finishing sentences of this historical interview show to me very strongly that our president is a big man. He says: "My happiness is not dependent on holding any office, and I shall go back to private life with no heartburnings, if the people, after an unprejudiced review of my administration, conclude that someone else can serve them to their greater advantage."

Unlike many Republicans, Mr. Taft does not call Democrats foolish demagogues, neither does he call insurgents ingrates, nor stand-patters imbeciles; yet he is not afraid to call a spade a spade, and states clearly his own views.

The Canadians refusing his reciprocity measure seems to be a sore spot. The clear, statesman-like views he gives as to the annexation scare are to me words of wisdom. Mr. Taft says: "I see no objection myself to entire free trade between the two countries that lie for four thousand miles with a common border. . . . If any electorate was ever frightened by ghosts it was the Canadian electorate at the ghost of annexation, which never could come by any hook or crook, for many reasons, the chief of which is that we do not desire it and Canada itself would never consent to it."

I think I have said enough to make every elector study carefully this honest authorized interview. It is refreshing in these days of dark diplomacy to get a clear, honest statement from our chief.

As to the Outlook, it is a handy newspaper, as the news of the week is condensed and talked about. A dear friend sends it to me. I may frankly state that I don't like the Rev. Lyman Abbott's theology, which is neither fish nor flesh nor good red herring.

This second December Outlook is worth preserving and will be a historical summary of the last four years of American politics. Another reason that makes the Outlook liked by me is that one is not annoyed by advertisements on the same page of Ivory soap and sure cancer cure.

Our ex-president has a learned review of a dozen scientific books, to mention the titles whereof would fill all my space. I give the titles of three of these books to show the hot stuff that Mr. Roosevelt is not afraid to handle without gloves: "Le Mort du Cygne," by Carlos Reyles; translation from Spanish into French by Alfred de Bengoechea. "Thoughts of a Catholic Anatomist," by Thomas Dwight, D.D. "Science and Religion," by Emile Boutroux; translated into English by Jonathan Nield.

As in politics, Mr. Roosevelt was not afraid to use the big stick, so in speaking of the conceited men who think that by giving up all religious notions they are emancipated from all conceit and superstition, the big stick is freely used. Some weeks ago I enjoyed a review of several books by our ex-president. These books were by celebrated travelers and hunters of wild animals. The knowledge of nature and the habits of wild animals which the reviewer showed, made very interesting reading, and I was inclined to tell the Outlook people that natural history and not politics was the natural place for Theodore Roosevelt.

However, in this notice of so many "Darwin" kind of books there is no sympathy shown to what the reviewer thinks is error. Dr. Dwight is praised freely, but when he gets dogmatical he gets a spanking. By the way, Dr. Dwight is "catholic," but not a Roman Catholic.

Alfred Russell Wallace, the great follower of Darwin, comes in for a reproof when antelope and deer are spoken of, as Roosevelt points out errors in what Mr. Wallace says about the deer family. Darwin's "Vestiges of Creation and Evolution" are handled freely. Evolutionists must meet the fact that evolution does not always mean rising from a lower to a higher type, but descending from a high type to a lower. It is strange how this truth, namely, that evolution from the monkey to man may mean as my mother quaintly said after reading the Vestiges by Darwin, "Well, well, Mr. Darwin, after thirty years' study you incline to think that we came from monkeys; just study another thirty years, and you may incline to think that monkeys came from us!"

One thing I would like to impress on all those small-headed insular people who call a piano a "payanner" Italian an "Eytalian," and say that English is the only civilized tongue, is the tribute that Mr. Roosevelt pays when he says that "the French language is a delicate instrument of precision."

The second of December number of the Outlook, having the free and full confession of faith as held by Mr. Taft, and the review of learned books by his predecessor in office, will be read and re-read by all who respect the officials of the highest rank in this world.

IAN McDOUGALL

Suggestions to Shippers of Christmas Packages by Express

1st. Ship your packages early—by the 15th of December if possible. The express company will give you a small label to paste on the package reading "Do not open until Christmas." This will give opportunity for the package to reach its destination before Christmas and give the additional pleasure to the recipient of the gift of having it on Christmas morning.

2nd. Use wooden boxes for packing, especially for glass and other fragile articles, which should be well protected. It may cost a few cents more, but the danger of damage will be very much reduced, and you should do your part to make the transportation of your gift safe.

3rd. Write the address in full—state, county, city, street and number—on the box or package, with ink or crayon. Tags are frequently torn off and lost.

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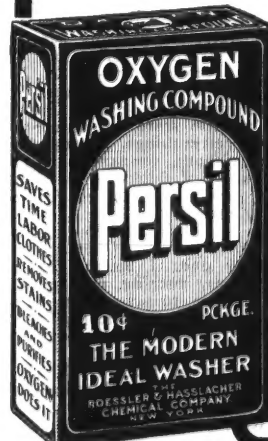
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ATTRACTIONS AT THE THEATRES



Miss Dorothy Donnelly as the star in "The Princess Zim-Zim" at the Plymouth Theatre, Boston

Boston Theatres

Colonial—"The Pink Lady."
Tremont—"Dr. de Luxe."
Plymouth—"The Thief."
Hollis St.—"The Seven Sisters."
Grand Opera House—"A Little Outcast."
Boston—"Ben-Hur." Coming. The Trail of the Lonesome Pine."
Shubert—"The Blue Bird." Coming. Sothern and Marlowe.
Park—"Get-Rich-Quick Wallingford."
Castle Sq.—"Are You a Mason." Majestic—"Everywoman."

CASTLE SQUARE

The laughable farce, "Are You a Mason," which tells of the tribulations of an elderly gentleman and his

son-in-law, who in order to account for absence from home pretend to be Free Masons, has been very successfully revived at Castle Square.

TREMONT

"Dr. de Luxe" has returned to Boston for a two weeks' stay at the Tremont. The company is the same as on its previous presentation; there is the same catchy music and witty comedy.

HOLLIS STREET

"The Seven Sisters" is on its second week at the Hollis theatre. This play from the Hungarian stage is a treat to Boston and its picturesqueness and quaintness has been well received.

COLONIAL

"The Pink Lady," the French musical comedy, received a hearty welcome at the Colonial theatre this week. The piece scored an immediate success, and indications are that it will have a long run.

MAJESTIC

"Everywoman" at the Majestic is one of the distinct successes of the dramatic year in Boston. If there were more plays like "Everywoman" now before the public, and less of the frivolous and inane hodge-podges that appeal to the lowest order of intellects, the drama would attain its rightful position as a high, educational instrument. "Everywoman" has proved a stimulating and refreshing treat to hundreds of Boston playgoers who are weary of the innocuous horse-play and frothy trash that runs riot at so many theatres that should be devoted to serious and purposeful drama.

One of the chief charms of "Everywoman" as an entertainment is unquestionably the pictorial lavishness of the production. "Everywoman" takes rank as a stage spectacle with Irving's last and greatest triumphs as a stage craftsman.

Attention is called to the fact that no other city in New England will be visited this season by "Everywoman," as the magnitude of the production and the enormous expense involved, make it impossible for the play to be presented in any but the largest American cities. Directly following its engagement here the production goes to Philadelphia for an extended run.

PARK

The phenomenally successful engagement of Geo. M. Cohan's great satirical comedy, "Get-Rich-Quick



Charlotte Walker as June in "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine."

Wallingford," which has been crowding the Park theatre to capacity at every performance for the past four months, is soon to terminate. Messrs. Cohan and Harris have announced that the prosperous run will positively end Saturday evening, January 6. The demand for seats at the few remaining performances is even greater than at any time since the opening week at the Park theatre, early in September. Out of town patrons are urgently requested to order their seats by mail as early as possible, on account of the crowds of holiday shoppers who are packing the theatre to capacity at every performance of this great comedy success of the century. There will be a special matinee Christmas Day. Seats may be reserved by mail order for any performance during the remainder of the engagement.

The triumphant vogue of Mr. Cohan's brilliant, laugh-compelling satire on the "get-rich-quick" game is due to the universal appeal of the theme. The title indicates the distinctly human note, that ever-present desire to "get something for nothing." The playwright has based his comedy upon the celebrated stories by George Randolph Chester. It graphically portrays the adventures of that genial soldier of fortune, J. Rufus Wallingford, whose suave manners and glib tongue invite the ready confidence of his eager dupes. Aside from the delightfully humorous story, which provokes an endless chain of laughter, the play teaches two cardinal truths: that the love of a good woman will work the salvation of any man, and that if the average successful "crook" will but devote the same energy and ingenuity to honest endeavor that he does to unlawful scheming, he will find sure and legitimate success.

PLYMOUTH

The famous theatrical producing firm of Liebler & Company are sending to Boston a brand new star in a brand new play, which is to open an engagement at the Plymouth theatre on Tuesday evening, December 19. The new play is entitled "The Princess Zim-Zim," and it was written specially for Miss Dorothy Donnelly at the instance of Liebler & Company. It deals with life at Coney Island, and its characters have been chosen by Edward Sheldon, the brilliant young author, from the people who furnish amusement at that noted resort—the snake-charmer, the dancing girl, the shoot the chutes man, the two-headed negress, the Esquimaux belle, the bearded lady, the diving Venus, the incubator man, and the good-natured old bally-hoo, who owns the side-show called "The Turkish Dream." With such unique and interesting material he has woven a drama of great strength.

Miss Donnelly will be remembered in Boston for her superb work in "The Lion and the Mouse" and in "Madame X." She comes of an illustrious actor family. Chief in Miss Donnelly's supporting cast is John Barrymore, also descendant from actor families on both his father's and mother's sides. Although yet a young man, Barrymore has, within the past few years, made himself a prime favorite. Mr. Barrymore will be remembered in Boston particularly for his brilliant work in "The Fortune Hunter" during its recent long run here. "The Princess Zim-Zim" is written in three acts and an epilogue. All the scenes are laid in Coney Island.

BOSTON

"The Trail of the Lonesome Pine," Eugene Walter's dramatization of John Fox's widely read story of the same name, is the holiday attraction announced for the Boston theatre. It is the latest as well as one of the most magnificent productions made by Klaw & Erlanger, and since its premiere with Charlotte Walker a few weeks ago it has met with tremendous success. The play shows the brilliant dramatist, Eugene Walter, at his best, and Mr. Walter has followed the scenes as they were laid in the original story by Mr. Fox with fidelity, though he has written a new play rather than confined himself to a dramatization in its strictest sense. Of course Mr. Fox's delightful character June has been emphasized, and those who followed the story of her love for the engineer in the book, and met with her jealous cousin Dave, the rough yet sincere and affectionate father, Judge Tolliver, the simple and humorous Uncle Billy Bean, the primitive Old Hun with her pipe of clay, the strong and manly Hale and the gentle Berkeley, will revel in the visualization of the stage characters and the pictures of the mountaineer's household which are all strikingly impressive by the nobility and breadth of their portrayal. Klaw & Erlanger have spared neither pains, expense nor artistic ability to give "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine" a truly splendid production. In the scenes of each of the four acts there range and variety, graceful lightness, delicacy of fancy, tenderness and sweetness, the charm of happy invention and the splendor of glorious creation. It is a production that will please the most fastidious theatre-goer, and Charlotte Walker has lent to the character of Mr. Fox's delightful creature June, a romantic touch that brings out all the hidden charms of a girl who, throughout her youth, has revelled in the untainted atmosphere of a primitive mountain home. Miss Walker has the greatest role of her career and Klaw & Erlanger have provided her with a strong and capable company of players.

SHUBERT

E. H. Sothern and Julia Marlowe will play their annual engagement at the Shubert theatre, a stay of two weeks only, beginning next week, Monday, December 18, and seats for all of their performances are now on sale at the box office. The repertoire for the first week of their engagement is arranged as follows: Monday night, "The Taming of the Shrew"; Tuesday night and Saturday matinee, "Macbeth"; Wednesday matinee, "Twelfth Night"; Thursday night, "Romeo and Juliet"; Thursday night, "The Merchant of Venice";

Friday night, "Hamlet"; Saturday night, "As You Like It." Following is the repertoire for the second and last week: Monday night (December 25) "Romeo and Juliet"; Tuesday night, "As You Like It"; Wednesday matinee, "The Merchant of Venice"; Wednesday night, "Twelfth Night"; Thursday night, "Hamlet"; Friday night, "Macbeth"; Saturday matinee and night, "The Taming of the Shrew."

Owing to the elaborate nature of the productions the curtain will rise at 2 p.m. sharp, matinees; and 8, evenings.

LAWRENCE OPERA HOUSE

"Madame Sherry"

The father of Lina Abarbanell, the prima donna star of "Madame Sherry," which comes to the Opera House the last of the month, was a noted Berlin musical director and she first appeared in public when she was seven years old. At sixteen she was giving Ibsen roles, and at eighteen she made her operatic debut in Koenigsberg, Prussia. Her experience there brought her an engagement at the Royal Berlin Opera House, where she sang "Fledermaus" over 10 times. She then went to Vienna, singing in "Bruder Straubiger," "Wiener Frauen," and several others, a number of which were composed directly for her. It was while she was in Vienna that she was engaged by Herr Conried for both the Irving Place theatre and the Metropolitan Opera Company in New York. Her American debut was in "Fruehlings-luft," of which "The Spring Chicken" was an adaptation. Her first play in English was "The Student King," in which she sang under the direction of Henry W. Savage. Her next role, that of Sonia in "The Merry Widow," is fresh in the minds of all theatre-goers.

"The Two Orphans"

The manager of the Opera House has effected a very important engagement in an elaborate revival of "The Two Orphans." The stage settings and cast of characters are something extraordinary, and this, probably the greatest of all dramatic conceptions, will have a presentation superior to any ever attempted in the past.

"The Seven Sisters"

The Lawrence Opera House will have a splendid offering next Tuesday night, December 26, when Chas. Cherry and the New York Lyceum company, under the direction of Daniel Frohman, will play an engagement in the delightful play, "The Seven Sisters." The company is now playing a most successful engagement at the Hollis Street theatre in Boston, and is just in the right time for the merriment of the holiday season.

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2.30 p.m. Meeting of Juniors.
6.30 p.m. Y. P. S. C. E.
7.30 p.m. Thursday. Prayer meeting.

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Rev. C. J. Mekkelson, Pastor.
SERVICES FOR NEXT WEEK
10.30 a.m. Worship with sermon by the pastor. Topic, "The Good Shepherd."
Sunday School to follow.
6.00 p.m. Epworth League. Leader, Edward Brown.
7.00 p.m. Praise service, with address by the pastor. Topic, "The Gospel Work."
7.30 p.m. Thursday. Prayer meeting.

Charles Perry has accepted a position in Boston.

Dr. Roger Tracy has been visiting relatives in Boston.

Hudson Wilcox is visiting relatives in Concord, N. H.

Edward Brown will lead the Epworth League meeting Sunday evening.

Francis Schneider of Andover spent Sunday with relatives in the village.

Mrs. Lizzie S. Barnes of Dedham is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Mary A. Fessenden.

Archibald Higgins of Lowell spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Hannah S. Greene.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pickels of Lawrence spent Sunday with relatives in the village.

Guy Townsend's goods have arrived and he will occupy the Moody house for the winter.

Charles W. Richardson's new house on High street extension is rapidly nearing completion.

Mrs. Leon E. Knox of Wollaston is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Stott, River street.

Mrs. Daniel Lynch of Manchester, N. H., spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Haggerty.

Mrs. Frank Ward and child of Andover spent Tuesday with her mother, Mrs. Mary Judge, River St.

Mrs. Everett Marsh of Dedham is spending several days with her aunt, Mrs. Mary A. Fessenden, Andover street.

Miss Abby Burtt of Andover was the guest Wednesday of her cousin, Mrs. George R. Mills, Tewksbury street.

Mr. and Mrs. William Marjerison of Lawrence spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Felix G. Haynes, High street.

There was a good attendance at the monthly business meeting of the local Christian Endeavor society. A very enjoyable social followed.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund M. Fessenden and son, Donald, of Lawrence, spent Sunday with the former's mother, Mrs. Mary A. Fessenden, Andover street.

The Congregational Ladies' Aid society are planning to hold a New Year's supper and entertainment in the church vestry on New Year's night. Full particulars in this column later.

There will be a special "good of the order" at the meeting of Ballardvale lodge next Monday evening, in charge of Miss Sadie M. Kent. All Good Templars are cordially invited to attend.

There will undoubtedly be a large attendance at the annual Christmas sale at the Methodist parsonage on Friday afternoon and evening. A large assortment of fancy articles for Christmas gifts, and home-made ice cream will be on sale.

The regular meeting of Ballardvale lodge was held Monday evening. The "good of the order" closed with an exciting game of dominoes which was won by George Brear. Miss Sadie M. Kent will have charge of the "good of the order" next Monday evening.

The Congregational Sunday school will hold their Christmas tree in Bradlee hall, Saturday evening, December 23. Special efforts are being made by the committee to make this one of the most successful events ever held by the Sunday school.

The people of the village are looking forward with special pleasure to the lecture on Mexico by Peter MacQueen, in Bradlee hall next Wednesday evening, December 20. Mr. MacQueen is one of the best lecturers before the public today, and what he says is always worth hearing.

It is expected that the alterations and repairs on the Methodist church will be completed so that services can be held there a week from Sunday. Gas has been put into the church, the walls and ceilings painted and decorated, the pews and floor painted, and everything is being put in first class condition.

Congregational Ladies' Aid Society Meeting

There was a large attendance at the meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society held in the Congregational church last Friday afternoon. A dainty tea party was held after the business meeting. The society voted to renovate and fix up the kitchen at the church. It was an exceptionally interesting gathering.

Celebrated Her Birthday

Mrs. Abbie A. Woodlin, one of the best known residents of the village, celebrated her birthday last week Thursday, in a very appropriate manner at her home on Center street. During the afternoon many of her friends and neighbors called and tendered her their congratulations and best wishes and hoped that she would have many happy returns of the day. The affair was a complete success and showed the high respect and esteem with which Mrs. Woodlin is held by the people of this community.

Bulletin on Feed Stuffs

The Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station has issued its annual bulletin on feed stuffs at the very beginning of the feeding season instead of later as heretofore, in the hope that it will be found more useful by those using purchased feeds. All those who have farm livestock of any kind to feed will find in this bulletin much information of value. It gives the analyses of all important feeding stuffs (those for poultry included) offered for sale in the Massachusetts markets; it discusses their relative values; and includes a tabulated list of whole-sale prices. Reference to this bulletin should enable all buyers of commercial feed stuffs to purchase more intelligently and wisely.

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power to listen intelligently to her second reading of "Little Lord Fauntleroy," and the expiring light flickered up again at the last when we brought her our annual "joke" of the "Farmers' Almanac" and its Christmas card. She never failed us when we called her to her last dawn here.

In 1851, she joined the South church, after five years of married life, under the last year of John L. Taylor's pastorate, with two neighbors I note in the little band, John Flagg and wife, and the late Julia Gould. She alone of the 202 members which that day filled the roll since 1711, survived as still remaining a member of the church in 1911, oldest of the communicants at her death. Mr. Foster came of a family who worked zealously for church and parish, but like many of his contemporaries could not accept the stringent creed of his day, so she bravely marched alone under the banner of the church militant, secretly proud of the honest man who never missed a service, and kept all the texts of the sermon from boyhood up, and in his youth had a thought of the ministry as his life work. The "letter that killeth" never troubled the wife, she simply passed it by as of less importance than standard-bearing.

The death of a youngest son who went early full of promise left its mark upon the sensitive heart of the father, and failing health set him to put the beloved home in complete order, with all comfort and charm he could devise for the lonely years to come, and the presence of the two loved ones in the other world has never gone from the home nest for us who knew them from childhood.

Her name (Greek for the rose) well fits the memory of one who made no pretensions to high service. She took up the burden of her widowhood with the equipment of generations of good housewives to back her ventures, and with her son to carry out all the father had planned, the homestead became a fruitful garden and the home itself one of the most delightful of the charming home circles of those famous on Salem street today. Her two daughters, well trained in hand and heart to carry on her work of home-making in the long pain of watching her fade away, can rejoice in the legacy we of Andover have set before us by this old-fashioned mother. Do not forget the value of a safe retreat for the hearts of our growing youth, for here lies the salvation of our Commonwealth.

C. H. A.

I. O. G. T. Notes

The regular meeting of Andover lodge, I. O. G. T., was held in the A. O. U. W. hall Tuesday evening. Bro. Roscoe Cole in the chair. The reports of the delegates from the district lodge were very satisfactory. The lodge deputy, A. Valentine, in behalf of the district lodge, presented this lodge with the prize banner for the largest increase of members during the quarter. A letter was read from Rev. F. A. Wilson, inviting this lodge to a temperance reading in the Free church, Sunday, January 14, 1912. The invitation was accepted by the lodge. The secretary was instructed to invite the Ballardvale, Lawrence and Methuen lodges. The entertainment of the evening was in the hands of Bro. J. Mungo, and consisted of songs and readings, the following taking part: Mrs. Libby, Mrs. Turner, Mrs. Grant, A. Valentine, George Keith, A. Lundgren, J. Turner, J. Mungo.

Pride of Andover Juvenile lodge will meet December 18 in Abbott Village hall at 7.15 o'clock. There will be business of importance brought before the meeting, and a full attendance of members is expected. The entertainment is in the hands of J. Turner.

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FORT RILEY DYNAMITING

Minister and Woman Implicated in Series of Outrages

Junction City, Kan., Dec. 14.—Rev. Charles M. Brewer, formerly a chaplain in the United States army, now a pastor of a Baptist church in Olustee, Okla., has been accused in a confession of Private Michael Quirk of implication in a mysterious series of explosions, which have baffled military authorities at Fort Riley for six months and destroyed property valued at \$500,000.

Commissioner Chase states that Brewer had been arrested at Olustee and is being held for United States marshals. Mrs. Anna Jordan of Kansas City, also implicated in Quirk's confession, was arrested in Kansas City, following a telegram to the police.

Quirk declared he committed these crimes at the instigation of Brewer, who sought revenge because he had been court martialled and dismissed from the service for conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman.

Brewer was born in Alabama thirty-four years ago. He became chaplain in the United States army in 1907. He is married and has several children.

TO WIND UP UNITED SHOE

Government Brings Suit Against Big Machinery Company

Boston, Dec. 13.—A bill looking to the dissolution of the United Shoe Machinery company was filed in the United States circuit court here by William S. Gregg, special assistant to Attorney General Wickersham.

The petition charges that "the defendants have by unlawful combinations, contracts and conspiracies and by exclusive use any tying provisions which they have made a part of the lease and license agreements between them and the boot and shoe manufacturers for the use of their machines, by the acquisition and control of former competing shoe machinery manufacturing concerns, and by other acts set forth in the petition, acquired and now control more than 98 percent of the trade and commerce in the United States in the shoe machinery."

BETRAYED GERMAN MILITARY SECRETS

Heavy Sentences Are Imposed Upon British Spies

Leipzig, Ger., Dec. 14.—Heavy punishments were meted out to the English spies arrested at Hamburg and who have been on trial behind closed doors before the Imperial court, charged with betraying German military secrets.

Max Shultz, an English shipbroker, was sentenced to seven years' penal servitude. One of his associates, an engineer named Hipsch, was condemned to twelve years in jail; another engineer named Walff was sent to jail for two years; a merchant named Von Maack and Shultz's housekeeper each received three years.

Shultz was accused of using his profession of shipbroker as a cover for corrupting shipyard workmen and getting them to betray German naval secrets. It is believed that he succeeded in getting documents of value to those who employed him out of the country. He is regarded by the German naval authorities as a most dangerous spy connected with an institution whose activities cover all the shipyards and arsenals of Europe.

HYDE TRIAL HALTS

Judge Waiting For Missing Juror to Make His Appearance

Kansas City, Dec. 13.—Contrary to the plans previously announced, the jury that is hearing the case of B. C. Hyde, accused of murdering Thomas H. Swope, was not dismissed last night, although Hardy Waldron, the missing juror, has not been located.

Judge Porter Field decided that he would hold the eleven remaining jurors for another week in the hope that Waldron may be discovered and found competent to resume his duty.

Waldron has been missing now since Monday morning, when he escaped from the jury's hotel.

Reyes Said to Head Army

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 14.—It is reported from a reliable source that General Reyes is entrenched with an insurgent army in the mountains near Galeana, Mex., and expects to be in Monterey by Sunday.

Farmers Plowing in December
Lowell, Mass., Dec. 13.—The warm weather of the past few days has induced enterprising farmers in Dracut, Tewksbury and elsewhere to take their plows and teams into the fields.

Sultan's Gems Net \$1,398,000
Paris, Dec. 12.—The sale of the jewels of Abdul Hamid, ex-Sultan of Turkey, which began Nov. 27, was concluded yesterday. The entire auction brought \$1,398,000.

Louise Homer Has a Daughter
New York, Dec. 14.—A baby girl arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Homer. Mrs. Homer is the famous Louise Homer of grand opera.

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